

through fire, recessions, inflation, and the COVID pandemic. At the age of 77, Joe is still found at his restaurant cooking, serving, greeting customers, and even bussing tables.

Joe Bologna is the picture of the American success story. I congratulate him on the 50th anniversary of his restaurant and thank him for his service to our country in the Air Force. It is my honor to recognize Mr. Joe Bologna and Joe Bologna's restaurant before the United States Congress.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF
JUDGE SHEILA TILLERSON
ADAMS AND CELEBRATING HER
CONTRIBUTIONS TO MARYLAND
AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of one of the finest judges to ever serve Prince George's County and the state of Maryland: my friend, Sheila R. Tillerson Adams—Chief and Administrative Judge of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County and the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Maryland. We in Maryland have long benefitted from her keen legal mind, her character, and her commitment to service. After a long and distinguished career, she retired from the Bench at the end of last year.

Sheila has been a trailblazer ever since she started practicing law decades ago. In 1984, she became only the second Black woman to serve as a State's Attorney in Prince George's County. She quickly demonstrated her aptitude not only as an attorney but also as a leader through her work for her office's sexual assault and child abuse unit. Her important work to uphold justice for vulnerable Marylanders continued when she became Deputy County Attorney four years later. Recognizing Sheila's legal prowess and her deep knowledge of the county, Governor William Donald Schaefer appointed her to the District Court of Maryland in Prince George's County in 1993—making her the first Black woman in history to serve as a judge on that court. Governor Parris Glendening elevated her to serve on the bench of the Prince George's County Circuit three years later. After Sheila's fourteen successful years as an associate judge, Maryland Court of Appeals Chief Judge Robert Bell selected her to become Administrative Judge of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County and the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Maryland in 2010.

Sheila's legacy, however, will not be defined by the titles she held or the number of years she served but by all that she accomplished for her fellow Prince Georgians. From presiding over high-profile cases to ushering in key systematic changes that improved our courts, Sheila's commitment to justice never wavered. One of her greatest contributions was her successful effort to expand Maryland's Problem-Solving Courts. These specialized programs continue to support groups of vulnerable Marylanders—such as truants, veterans, people struggling with addiction, at-risk youth, and formerly-incarcerated individuals—who face unique challenges in their communities and in the justice system. Similarly,

Sheila played a key role in launching the Prince George's County Family Justice Center (PGCFJC), which acts as a 'one-stop' hub where survivors of domestic violence, child abuse, human trafficking, elder abuse, and sexual assault can receive counseling, legal assistance, safety-planning support, and a variety of other services. As a cosponsor of both the original Violence Against Women Act and its reauthorization, I have been proud to work with Sheila to support these survivors, and I fondly recall touring the PGCFJC with her shortly after it opened in 2016. Sheila also helped lead Prince George's County through the unprecedented challenge of the COVID-19 pandemic, serving as a key member of the Prince George's Forward Task Force.

When explaining the mission statement of her court, Sheila once said: 'the Circuit Court welcomes all—a forum for justice.' Although she has retired from that court, I am sure this ethos will continue to define its work. And I know that Sheila will continue to live by the same principles of justice, service, and integrity that she has displayed her whole life. She will remain an influential community leader, a respected legal expert, and an essential advocate for Maryland's families. She ought to know how much I appreciate everything that she has done for her county, state, and country, and I look forward to seeing all that she will do to build on that progress as she starts this exciting new chapter. I ask that all my colleagues join me in thanking her for her service and in congratulating her on this milestone.

HONORING MRS. SVIATLANA
TSIKHANOUSKAYA DURING HER
UPCOMING VISIT TO WASH-
INGTON, D.C., ON MARCH 22-28,
2023, AND RECOGNIZING HER AS
A LEADER IN BELARUS'S STRUG-
GLE FOR DEMOCRACY AND
FREEDOM

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, since the 2020 Presidential Elections, Mrs. Tsihanouskaya has been an inspirational voice and global symbol of the ongoing peaceful struggle for democracy and freedom in the world.

Mrs. Tsihanouskaya selflessly stepped in to replace her husband, Mr. Siarhei Tsihanouski, following his illegal arrest during his campaign for the Belarusian presidency.

While initially disregarded by Belarusian Dictator, Alexander Lukashenko, she went on to win the elections, and has since been forced into exile where she continues her peaceful campaign for the restoration of democracy in her country.

She continues to do so under the threat of arrest in Belarus, recently receiving a 15-year prison sentence in absentia from Belarus's autocratic regime.

Following Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine, Mrs. Tsihanouskaya has met with leaders around the world to underline that Belarus's people do not support this conflict and stand in solidarity with their Ukrainian brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Tsihanouskaya's character is the epitome of 'Asking not what her country can do

for her, but what she can do for her country. She is not just an inspirational leader in the fight for democracy, but a symbol of global female leadership.

Among dozens of distinctions, she received the Sakharov Prize awarded by the European Parliament, the 2022 International Four Freedoms Award, and the Charlemagne Prize.

In 2021 and 2022, she was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize by Lithuanian President Gitanas Nausėda and Members of the Norwegian Parliament respectively.

I welcome her to the United States of America and praise her strength of character and determined campaign to provide her citizens in Belarus the opportunity for a brighter, freer, and democratic future.

HONORING ANITA WILLIAMS

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Anita Williams, an incredible activist, a founding member of the Niagara Movement Democratic Club, a former member of my team, and a dear friend of mine. I would like to extend my condolences to Anita's family, her sisters Sandra Herbert and Paula Carter, and her beloved friends and Church community. They are in my prayers during this difficult time.

Ms. Williams was born on December 5, 1945, in Memphis, Tennessee but relocated to California during her childhood. Anita attended Pacific Union College and went on to earn her nursing degree from Contra Costa Community College. Her passion for service eventually led her to politics and organizing, as Ms. Williams set out to uplift the underrepresented voices in Oakland, particularly the voices of African American women.

Ms. Williams was a charter member of the non-profit, Black Women Organized for Political Action, which seeks to increase political engagement and participation amongst African American women through advocacy and education. Their organization successfully helped elect the late Congressman Dellums and raised over \$75,000 for his campaign.

Ms. Williams was also a founding member of the New Niagara Movement Democratic Club, an organization that is near to my heart. The Niagara Movement Democratic Club has been integral in increasing African American representation in Oakland and organizing the community. Ms. Williams impressively served as their second president and led the charge in fundraising efforts.

Anita's commitment to advancing racial justice and equity throughout her life will ensure that her legacy lives on. The outcome of her years of hard work and advocacy is ever-present throughout our community, as the city of Oakland has been a leader in the national fight for racial justice. In remembrance of all the good that Ms. Williams extended to the world, let us continue in her footsteps.

Anita was a kind, dedicated, and selfless woman whose life was spent serving her community and those around her. She was a political force in the Bay Area and an unbelievable field and casework staffer and was committed to progressive causes that improved the lives of the most vulnerable.

Anita and my late mother had a special and loving relationship, as she did with my two sons. I've been fortunate enough to speak with her several times over the last few weeks before her passing, and it brings me comfort that she was able to spend her final days with her sister and family in Louisiana, surrounded by those who loved her. I know that because of her deep faith, she was ready to be called home to her maker. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and loved ones during this difficult time. She will be truly missed.

Ms. Williams will be remembered as a fierce advocate and a true force for good. Today, I recognize and celebrate her beautiful life. May she rest in peace and power.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR GPS
EDUCATION PARTNERS

HON. GLENN GROTHMAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, GPS Education Partners (GPSEd) is a nonprofit organization that carries out innovative advancements in the development and work readiness of our next-generation workforce. The program has served Wisconsinites for 23 years, graduating over 1,100 students, 35 percent of which have either a cognitive or physical disability. The program prides itself on achieving a 97 percent graduation rate with students obtaining accolades such as industry-recognized certifications to students' pursuing full-time or part-time post-secondary education paths.

GPSEd partners with 200 students each school year serving both first-year juniors and second-year seniors. The program discovered that high school students found difficulty in connecting their education to an attainable career. As the gap for skilled workers continues to expand, GPSEd encourages the pursuance of technical careers within various industries. Bridging efforts between educators, communities, and businesses fuses the change that GPSEd strives for.

Through the utilization of an accelerated program, GPSEd is able to properly prepare students for technical careers in a more efficient and effective manner compared to traditional pathways. Each student is given a specialized, unique solution that enables them to become their own emergent leaders at the conclusion of the program. Effective employer engagement practices have assisted in the expansion of employer involvement within GPSEd's programs. Due to a lack of exposure and quality training, nearly 94 percent of students are uninterested in skilled trades. However, 85 percent of the students enrolled in GPSEd pursue technical careers following their exposure to work based learning.

It is encouraging to see organizations such as GPSEd educating our youth to the ample amount of opportunities the career and technical field can provide. Too often, students find themselves pressured into seeking four-year college degrees. It is time to reaffirm students that job training programs, apprenticeships, and career and technical education are fields that are at a high demand with employers eager to fill positions. I want to extend my gratitude to GPSEd for carrying out this important mission.

HONORING THE LIFE OF STATE
SENATOR RONALD RICE

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to New Jersey State Senator Ronald Rice after his passing on March 15, 2022. State Senator Rice was one of the most dedicated distinguished public servants in my district and a tireless fighter for civil rights throughout my district. State Senator Rice spent most of his life serving the people of New Jersey's 28th District and his country. He was the longest-serving Black legislator in our state's history.

State Senator Rice graduated from Malcolm X. Shabazz High School in Newark and later joined the Marine Corps. He spent four years in the Marine Corps, including two years in Vietnam during the Vietnam War. When his service was completed, he retired with the rank of Sergeant and earned Presidential and Navy Unit Citations. Then State Senator Rice spent eight years as a police detective, four years as Newark's Deputy Mayor, and served on the Newark City Council. During this time, Rice earned an associate's degree in police science at Essex County Community College, a bachelor's degree at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, and his master's degree at the Rutgers University Graduate School of Criminal Justice. Rice worked for Public Service Electric and Gas (PSE&G) as a member of the safety and security team until he was elected to the New Jersey State Senate.

Rice spent more than 35 years as a State Senator. He was known for his strong support and advocacy for social justice and civil rights. State Senator Rice has sponsored legislation in the areas of criminal justice, healthcare, affordable housing, tenant rights, employee rights and education. Recently, he had a street and sports complex named in his honor in my district to commemorate his legacy. Both honors are well deserved. I congratulate State Senator Rice on his tremendous career as a public servant and I know his work for Newark and the people of New Jersey will be missed.

I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in celebrating his life of public service and extend deepest condolences to his children, brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, grandchildren and all his family and friends.

REMEMBERING U.S. ARMY LIEUTENANT COLONEL CARLTON "SHADY" SCHELHORN

HON. LISA C. McCLAIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Mrs. McCLAIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of the life and service of my friend, Virginia native, and United States Army Lieutenant Colonel Carlton "Shady" Schelhorn. Colonel Schelhorn, who for 23 years dedicated his life to protecting our country's freedom, is being interred today at Arlington National Cemetery.

The late grandfather of a member of my staff and teammate, Ryland Bennett, Colonel Schelhorn was a loving parent, friend, and inspiration to many. As a member of the House Armed Services Committee and proud advocate of those willing to sacrifice everything for the sanctity of our nation, I am deeply honored to include in the RECORD this hero's obituary.

[From the Richmond Times-Dispatch]

CARLTON "SHADY" SCHELHORN, LTC., 1931–2022

LTC Carlton "Shady" Schelhorn of Mechanicsville, formerly of Alexandria, passed away on December 14, 2022.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 68 years, Pat; children, Chip Schelhorn (Julie), Lynn Michaux (Jody), Cathy D'Antuono (Steve) and Nancy Bennett (Mark); nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Shady was a 1955 University of Virginia graduate, where he played football and was a member of Phi Delta Theta.

He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army for 23 years, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel.

Known for his incredible sense of humor and charm, Shady never met a stranger. He was always the loudest voice in the room, an excellent dancer and fond of martinis. His family was his greatest pride and joy; "G-Dad" was adored in return.

Some of his favorite pastimes included golfing, especially with the Over-The-Hill Hoos, spending winters in Marco Island, Florida and lately watching "Grit" TV.

COMMEMORATING JOSEPH P. BERKEY'S SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Joseph P. Berkey, a resident of Grosse Ile, Michigan who has served his Nation and community admirably over the last 100 years. His dedication to duty and mentorship of our youth is worthy of commendation.

Joe was born on March 15, 1923 in the former Yugoslavia. Shortly afterwards, his father took his family and immigrated to Canada before eventually settling down in the Delray neighborhood of Detroit. Shortly after his 18th birthday, Joe enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He completed Boot Camp in San Diego where he earned the Navy Good Conduct Medal and was subsequently assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Wasp (CV-7) working on the ship's engines. In September of 1942, while serving as part of a task force supporting the invasion of Guadalcanal, the Wasp was hit with three torpedoes by a Japanese submarine. Seaman Berkey along with 1945 of a total crew of 2,400 were rescued and later that day the Wasp was scuttled due to severe damage beyond repair. In his five years of service, Joe served in Africa, Malta, the Middle East, and Asia.

After discharge, Joe took full advantage of the G.I. Bill, attending both Eastern Michigan University and Western Michigan University and earning a Bachelors in Science. Joe spent the next 30 plus years teaching at various elementary and middle schools throughout Detroit. His greatest accomplishment was that he